

Monitoring of Large Engineering Structures for safety issues using Brillouin distributed sensing

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Abstract

Brillouin time-domain analysis in optical fibres is a novel technique making possible a distributed measurement of temperature and strain over long distance and will deeply modify our view about monitoring large structures, such as bridges, tunnels and cut slopes. Optical fibre sensing will certainly be a decisive tool for securing dangerous installations and detecting environmental and industrial threats.